

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 244

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Whitney Hodges on the occasion of her being named the 2022–2023 Lincoln Heights Middle School Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Whitney Hodges is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, an ELL teacher at Lincoln Heights Middle School, Ms. Hodges was recently named the school's 2022–2023 Teacher of the Year, a most befitting honor for her tenure as an educator, as it recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Whitney Hodges is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who has worked assiduously throughout her career in education to motivate her students, fellow teachers, and staff to reach their full potential as scholars, professionals, and citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hodges truly serves as an inspiration to the faculty and staff at Lincoln Heights Middle School, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Whitney Hodges epitomizes the dedicated educator who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Whitney Hodges

on being chosen as the 2022–2023 Lincoln Heights Middle School Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.